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Program of the lectures series

History or Myth?

Alternative Theories about the Genesis of the Old Testament, the New Testament and the History of Early Islam

Old Testament

10/23/2008 - 6 p.m.: Prof. Philip Davies, University of Sheffield - When did Judah become Israel? (S6, Schloss)

Symposium Old Testament 11/15/2008: (Aula im Schloss)

Prof. Niels Peter Lemche, University of Copenhagen - How Christianity stole the world

Prof. Thomas Thompson, University of Copenhagen - Without Evidence or Method

➔ *Panel discussion with Prof. Rainer Albertz, University Münster and Prof. Eckhart Otto, University Munich*

New Testament

11/17/2008 - 6 p.m.: Prof. Frank Zindler, Editor of the American Atheist Magazine - Christian Origins: Problems and Questions (S8, Schloss)

11/27/2008 - 6 p.m.: Prof. R. Joseph Hoffmann, Center for Inquiry, Amherst - The Marcionite Myth and the Unhistorical Jesus

Symposium New Testament 12/13/2008: (Aula im Schloss)

Prof. Robert M. Price, Theological Seminary Miami Gardens - The Pre-Christian 'Jesus Cult' Revisited

Peter Gandy, M.A., free publicist - Is the Jesus story a myth derived from Paganism?

➔ *Panel discussion with Prof. Gerd Lüdemann, University Göttingen and N.N.*

Islam

01/15/2009 - 6 p.m.: *Prof. Muhammad Kalisch, Münster University - Die Mutter ihres Vaters – Fatima, die frühislamische Gnosis und die Frage nach dem historischen Muhammad (S6, Schloss)*

01/22/2009 - 6 p.m.: *Prof. Lawrence Conrad, University of Hamburg - How Dark are the Dark Beginnings?*

- A Historian's Thoughts on the Study of Early Islam (S 6, Schloss)

01/30/2009 - 6 p.m.: *Prof. Gerald Hawting, School of Oriental and African Studies, London - Event or Process? Perspectives on the Emergence of Islam (F 6, Fürstenberghaus)*

Symposium Islam 02/07/2008 (Aula im Schloss)

Prof. Karl-Heinz Ohlig, University Saarbrücken - Christliche Zeugnisse aus den ersten beiden islamischen Jahrhunderten zum Islam

Volker Pepp, M.A., Numismatiker, University Saarbrücken - Wann verschwand das Kreuz aus der frühislamischen Ikonographie?

➔ *Panel discussion with Dr. Michael Marx (Corpus Ceramicum), Free University Berlin and Prof. Stephan Wild, University Bonn*